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TC 1700 Date: January 14, 2002 April 5, 2000 Filed: CHOPPED STRAND NON-WOVEN MAT PRODUCTION Title: **Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, DC 20231 Sir: RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon. Fees are attached as calculated below: minus highest number Total effective claims after amendment \$ 0.00 \$ 18.00 (at least 20) = previously paid for 20 Independent claims after amendment minus highest number \$ 0.00 \$ 84.00 previously paid for (at least 3) =Х If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$280.00 (ignore improper) \$ 0.00 Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this \$ paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$400.00/2 months; \$920.00/3 months) 0.00 \$ 0.00 Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00 First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$740.00) 0.00Please enter the previously unentered , filed Submission attached Subtotal 0.00 -\$ 0.00 If "small entity." then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract Applicant claims "small entity" status.

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Sir:

TO TROOP TO TOO AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the Office Action dated December 18, 2001, which set a nominal response due date of January 18, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 14 through 33 and 35 through 36 without prejudice to applicants' rights to file divisional applications based thereon.

Please substitute the following amended claims for corresponding claims previously presented. A copy of the amended claims showing current revisions is attached.